

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Implementation of Dhanwantri Scheme
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Dhanwantri (computerization project of ESI Scheme) is not being properly implemented in Odisha as the concerned agency is not engaged in any maintenance and field support work and if so, the details thereof; and
(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure that the Dhanwantri project has sufficient maintenance support and field-level support?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) & (b): The existing contract of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) with WIPRO has expired on 08.06.2016. The new vendor has been selected and transition is going on. The ESIC has also de-centralized Operation & Maintenance of all hardware at the level of Regional Directors of ESIC located in different states. As far as position in Odisha is concerned, the agency for Operation & Maintenance has almost been finalized. In addition, one IT Manager and two IT Assistants have been appointed for coordinating, monitoring and giving IT support to all ESIC and ESIS offices/hospitals/ dispensaries throughout the State to ensure that the Project Panchdeep (including Dhanwantri) runs smoothly.
